

FLORIDA TOPICS

Short Items from
all Sections
of the State

The Miami Bank and Trust Company is a new banking institution which will soon open in Miami. Theo. Hoffstater is president.

Senator Fletcher has introduced bills in the senate providing for federal buildings at Bartow and Orlando. These were referred to the committee on public buildings and grounds.

Extensive improvements are being made on the interior of the union station in Jacksonville. The work will be finished in about thirty days and will involve an expenditure of approximately \$65,000.

Frank Clark is out in an interview saying that Florida is for Harmon for president. That ought to be reason enough for the rank and file of Florida democracy to be for almost anybody except Harmon.—DeFuniak Breeze.

President Taft has declined the invitation from the city council of Key West requesting him to attend the great Oversea Celebration on January 22, in commemoration of the opening of the Florida East Coast railroad into Key West. He states that numerous previous engagements will prevent his attendance.

For the information of the people of Florida, the vote of the Florida delegation in the house of representatives on the Sherwood Pension Bill is given: Frank Clark and Stephen M. Sparkman voted for the bill. Dannite H. Mays voted against it. This shows in the roll call printed on page 248 of the Congressional Record of the present sessions of Congress, under date of December 12.

Twenty-six out of thirty-two members of the Republican State Central committee met in Jacksonville last Thursday and issued a call for a convention to be held in Palatka, February 16. It is understood that the committee from the three congressional districts will meet immediately after the convention for the purpose of making nominations for members of the national congress.—Times Union.

General Frederick Dent Grant, U. S., with his aide, Lieutenant Marion W. Houze, spent a few hours in Miami Friday the guest of Hotel Halcyon. General Grant is making his annual inspection of the sea-coast defenses south to Galveston, Texas, visiting Key West, Tampa, Mobile and Galveston. On the return trip, he will visit Atlanta and Chattanooga, Forts McPherson and Oglethorpe, thence to Columbia Barracks, Ohio, and back to his headquarters at Governor's Island, New York.

W. L. Whitefield, one of Live Oak's oldest citizens died at his home in that city a few days ago, from acute indigestion. Mr. Whitefield was prominently known throughout the State. He was for several years editor and proprietor of The Live Oak Banner, and later editor of The Jasper Banner of Liberty. Retiring several years ago from newspaper work Mr. Whitefield became connected with the city government and until a few weeks ago was street commissioner of Live Oak.

The Furst-Clarke Co., contractors, who will dig the drainage canal west from Deerfield into Lake Okeechobee, recently purchased two more of the State dredges, paying for them the sum of \$165,000. These dredges are now at Deerfield ready to begin work on the canal as soon as let through the railroad and county bridges, and the company is under bond to complete the canal by the first of June, 1913. The dredges now working into the Glades from New River are reported to be only seven miles from each other and they are expected to meet by the last of February.

Recently there appeared in the New York papers a statement made by Secretary of the Navy Meyer, that during the past two years the navy, twenty per cent larger than it was the previous two years, has been maintained at a saving of \$400,000. This saving was made by the bureau of steam engineering, created just before the termination of the cruise around the world which the navy made during the latter part of Roosevelt's administration. At the head of the bureau of steam engineering is Rear Admiral Hutchison I. Cone, who is a Florida man, born and raised in Columbia county. "Hutch" is the only head that the bureau of steam engineering has ever had and to him, therefore, is due the credit for this remarkable statement made by the secretary of the navy—an increase of twenty per cent of the naval strength, maintained at a saving of \$400,000 during a period of two years!

Judge J. B. Wall, of Tampa, for many years a circuit court Judge, passed away last Thursday morning after an illness of only a week. He has been in poor health for several months.

Everglades land is now selling at \$60.00 an acre. Seven years ago Broward said it would be worth \$100.00 an acre—and about 45 per cent of the people said Broward was a fool. The other 55 per cent believed him and elected him as governor.

The Supreme Court of Florida has just rendered an opinion that is of moment to the militia companies. In effect the decision recites: The consent of parents is not necessary in the enlistment of minors in State troops, but minor enlisted in the State troops cannot be called into service of the United States without the consent of their parents.

The officials of the Florida East Coast railway in St. Augustine are busy getting everything in readiness for the inauguration of the magnificent train service which will be in effect during the winter months. The service over this road this season will far surpass that of any previous year, and magnificent all-steel trains will be operated.

A Pensacola dispatch says: Capt. J. Ed O'Brien, for the past two months a possible candidate for congressman-at-large in this State, has definitely announced his candidacy and gives an outline of his platform. He says that since he stated publicly that he might announce that he has received such encouragement that he has now definitely decided to enter the race, and that when the proper time comes he will take the road and make an active and energetic campaign.

By the emphatic vote of 95 to 43 the voters of Kissimmee authorized the City Council to borrow \$25,000, the amount that will be required to pay the city's part of the cost of the proposed brick street paving. What good things this means to Kissimmee only the years can tell, but this is certain, that it marks the city as one of the most wideawake and up-to-date in the state of Florida. People who observe carefully can rather accurately gauge the progressiveness of a city by its streets.

T. H. Johnson had a load of Chinese cabbage in town Wednesday and is shipping the same to middle western markets, where it is bringing a good price. This is a new wrinkle in the vegetable world of this section and bids fair to become one of the money crops. The cabbage grows up tall, resembling a bunch of celery, only the stalk is thick and very rich in flavor and is said to be very fine to garnish the table, or to cook like cabbage or sliced up raw. Chinese cabbage will probably receive the attention of the growers of this section next season.—Sanford Herald.

One-half of the time of the contract between the trustees of the internal improvement fund and the board of drainage commissioners, of the state of Florida, and the Furst Clark Construction Company, of Baltimore, Md., having expired, the board has prepared a report, under the directions of Major Wright, showing that 104.98 miles of the original, 213.08 miles of Everglades canals are now completed. The company started with two State dredges and now have nine at work. It is estimated that the canals will be completed ahead of the contract time, June 1st, 1913.

The statistical report made the last day of the annual Florida Methodist conference reveal some very interesting facts. The number of local preachers in the conference is 100, number of members 31,751, increase 1,058; infants baptized 757; adults baptized 797. Epworth leagues 138, leagues members 4,660; Sunday schools 318; officers and teachers, 2,503; scholars enrolled during the year 23,983. The conference was assessed for its superannuated preachers and widows and orphans of preachers \$7,000, paid \$6,616, raised for missions, foreign \$5,491.01, increase, \$874.29; domestic \$8,548.92, increase \$351; church extension \$4,441.28, increase \$1,279.90; American Bible society \$198.47; presiding elder \$13,774, increase 650.42; pastors \$113,116.99 increase \$8,841.12; bishops \$1,446.58, increase \$508; number of societies 396, increase three; houses of worship 247, increase 14; value \$803,049; indebtedness \$55,247.02, pastoral charges 14; parsonages 135; value of parsonages \$291,451, indebtedness \$20,529.29; districts six; parsonages seven, value \$29,500; indebtedness \$6,870; churches damaged by fire or storm two, amount \$2,065, insurance \$299.09; premiums paid \$2,529.94; collections on losses \$2,157.76.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In Court of the County Judge, State of Florida.
In re Estate of Charles A. Robinson, Deceased. St. Lucie County.
To all Creditors, Legatees, Distributees and all Persons having Claims or Demands against said Estate.
You and each of you, are hereby notified and required to present any claims and demands which you, or either of you, may have against the estate of Charles A. Robinson, deceased, late of St. Lucie County, Florida, to the undersigned, executor of said estate, within one year from the date hereof. Dated December 1, A. D. 1911.
SARAH E. ROBINSON, Executrix.

Eden, Florida.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING, FELLSMERE FARMS COMPANY.

ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS.
FELLSMERE FARMS COMPANY.
55 Liberty Street, New York City, December 18th, 1911.
Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the Fellsmere Farms Company will be held at the office of the Company in the Town of Fellsmere, St. Lucie County, in the State of Florida, on Tuesday, the 9th day of January, 1912, at 12 o'clock noon of the said day, for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors and for the transaction of all such other business as may legally come before the Meeting, including the consideration of official reports and the approval and ratification of all action of the Board of Directors and of the Executive Committee since the last annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Company.
T. F. SHERWOOD, Secretary.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Gainesville, Florida, November 18, 1911.
Notice is hereby given that Frank G. Young, of Wabasso, Florida, who on July 22, 1909, made Homestead Entry, Serial No. 65606, for NE 1/4, Section 31, Township 31 South, Range 29 East, Tallahassee Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Commutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Fort Pierce, Florida, on the 4th day of January, 1912.
Claimant names as witnesses:
W. W. Spielman, of Wabasso, Florida.
J. O. Jameson, of Wabasso, Florida.
S. S. Hancock, of Wabasso, Florida.
E. A. Holt, of Wabasso, Florida.
HENRY S. CHUBB, Register.

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE, ST. LUCIE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

John Powers, Plaintiff

VS—

A. M. Sibit, Defendant.

To A. M. Sibit and All Others Whom it May Concern:

You are hereby notified that a Writ of Garnishment has been issued in the above cause and that your property in the hands of the Florida East Coast Railway Company, a corporation, has been garnished; and that unless you appear before said court on or before the 5th day of February, A. D. 1912, judgment by default will be entered against you.
JOHN POWERS, Plaintiff.
FLOYD & FEE, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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